

VZCZCXYZ0011
PP RUEHWEB

DE RUEHAK #0451 0841314
ZNR UUUUU ZZH
P 251314Z MAR 09
FM AMEMBASSY ANKARA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9180

UNCLAS ANKARA 000451

SIPDIS

DEPARTMENT FOR EUR/SE, EUR/PRA, ISN/WMDT: DCARCANI,
MSTAFFORD, EASTMAN

E.O. 12958: N/A
TAGS: [KNNP](#) [PARM](#) [PGOV](#) [PREL](#)
SUBJECT: TURKEY: REQUEST REVISITING NSOI VISIT AFTER JUNE
2009

REF: A. SECSTATE 24630
[1](#)B. SECSTATE 21170

[1](#)1. (SBU) We delivered the request for Nuclear Smuggling Outreach Initiative (NSOI) Coordinator Michael Stafford to visit Turkey soon to present for Turkish officials' consideration NSOI projects in the Caucasus and Central Asia (ref a). Gun expressed appreciation for Mr. Stafford's offer to visit Ankara and said that it would be useful to have more information regarding these projects. Given Turkey's commitment to co-host the 10th International EXBS conference (ref b) and a flurry of other activities for which his office is responsible in the near term, however, Gun requested to postpone discussion of Mr. Stafford's visit until after the EXBS conference (currently scheduled to take place week of June 22).

[1](#)2. (SBU) Comment: We will follow up with the MFA at the earliest opportunity following the EXBS conference to request MFA support for Mr. Stafford's visit.

Visit Ankara's Classified Web Site at
<http://www.intelink.sgov.gov/wiki/Portal:Turkey>

Jeffrey